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RESPONSE TO NOTICE REGARDING DRAWINGS

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Sir:

In response to the Notice Regarding Drawings mailed March 24, 2004 (a copy is attached) which required new corrected drawings, enclosed herewith are 11 sheets of formal drawings including Figures 1-7 for the subject application.

Approval of a correction to a sequence shown in Figure 6 has been requested in the Amendment under 37 CFR §1.312, which is submitted herewith. Other corrections are made to comply with the Official Draftperson's comments in Form PTO-948.

Entry of the attached corrected drawings and prompt issuance of the patent are requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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Corrected drawings for the above-identified application, received in the USPTO on 11-18-03 are still not acceptable for the reason(s) identified on the attached PTO-948. Applicant is given one opportunity to correct the informalities within a two-month time period from the mailing date of this Notice. **THIS TIME PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE UNDER EITHER 37 CFR 1.136(a) OR 1.136(b).** Failure to take corrective action within the set period will result in abandonment of the application.

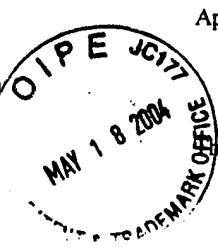
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The drawing(s) filed (insert date) 11/18/03 are:

A. approved by the Draftsperson under 37 CFR 1.84 or 1.152.
B. objected to by the Draftsperson under 37 CFR 1.84 or 1.152 for the reasons indicated below. Corrected drawings are required.

1. DRAWINGS. 37 CFR 1.84(a): Acceptable categories of drawings: Black ink or Color (3 sets required).
 Color drawings are not acceptable until petition is granted. Fig(s) _____
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2. PHOTOGRAPHS. 37 CFR 1.84(b)
 One (1) full-tone set is required. Fig(s) _____
 Photographs may not be mounted. 37 CFR 1.84(e)
 Photographs must meet paper size requirements of 37 CFR 1.84(f). Fig(s) _____
 Poor quality (half-tone). Fig(s) 13-3C, 5

3. TYPE OF PAPER. 37 CFR 1.84(e)
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11. SHADING. 37 CFR 1.84(m)
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COMMENTS:

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If you have questions, call (703) 305-8404.

Date 3/24/04
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